

Alzheimer's Disease Big Data DREAM Challenge #1

Launch June 2, 2014

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AD Challenge Website: <https://www.synapse.org/#!/Synapse:syn2290704>

Participants are Invited to Work On Any of the Following AD#1 Challenge Questions

- Question 1: Predict the change in cognitive scores 24 months after initial assessment
- Question 2: Predict the set of cognitively normal individuals whose biomarkers are suggestive of amyloid perturbation
- Question 3: Classify individuals into diagnostic groups using MR imaging and genetics

Challenge Overview:

Test Data

- Subsets of data from two independent studies will be used to rank participants' models on the leaderboard
 - Participants will be able to access the data with the exception of variables held out for scoring on Synapse
(<https://www.synapse.org/#!/Synapse:syn2290704/wiki/64634>)
 - Data from the Rush Alzheimer's Disease Center Religious Orders Study and Memory and Aging Project
(ROS/MAP: <http://www.rush.edu/rumc/page-1124115595299.html>) is used to rank participants models for Questions 1 and 2
 - Data from the AddNeuroMed study, which is a part of InnoMed - a precursor of the Innovative Medicines Initiative
(<http://www.imi.europa.eu/>) is used to rank participants models for Question 3



Challenge Outcomes

- Identification of best methods in clinical predictive modeling as applied to important questions for AD
- Creation of a new community of experts from many disciplines related to AD (imaging, genetics, neurobiology, systems biology) who keep working together even after the AD#1 Challenge closes
- Lessons learned from this Challenge that guides the generation of future datasets that are powered to answer the most impactful questions in AD
- Top performing teams invited to present in the Sage Congress in Paris (April, 2015)
- Top performing teams invited to co-author a Challenge paper for submission to *Nature Neuroscience*

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Close: September 19, 2014 (tentative)

Please see **News and Updates** for pertinent messages about the data



FreeSurfer Software Suite

An open source software suite for processing and analyzing (human) brain MRI images.

- Skullstripping
- Image Registration
- Subcortical Segmentation
- Cortical Surface Reconstruction
- Cortical Segmentation
- Cortical Thickness Estimation
- Longitudinal Processing
- fMRI Analysis
- Tractography
- FreeView Visualization GUI
- and much more ...



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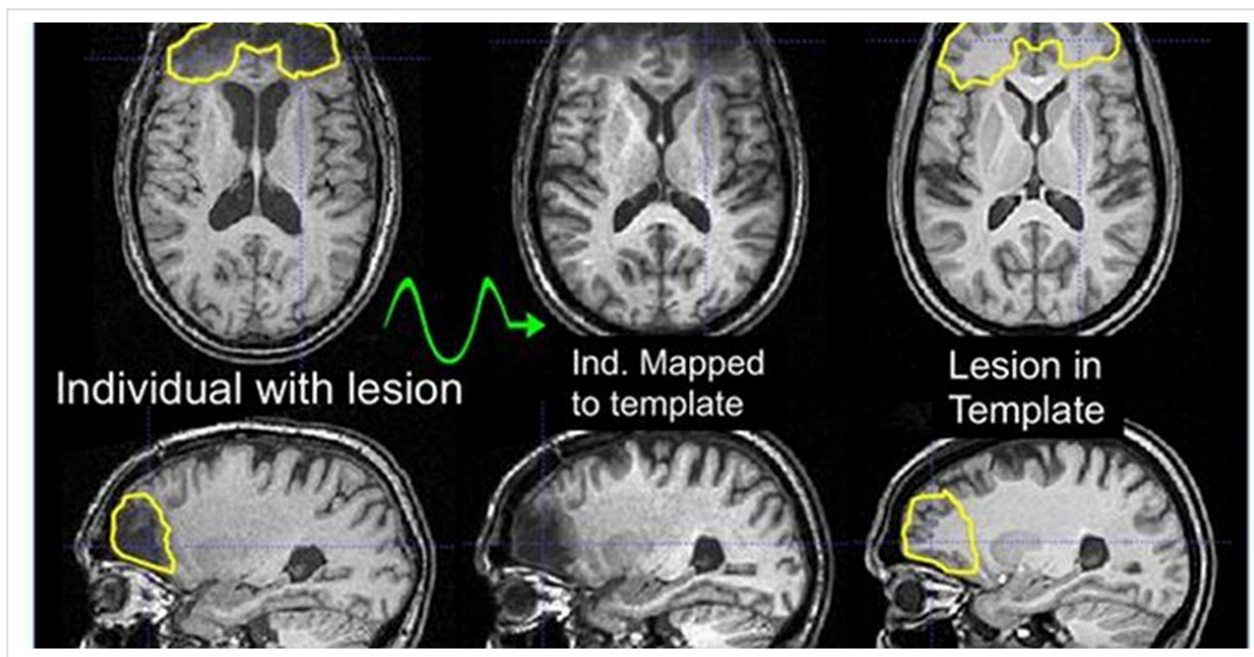
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ANTS



Advanced Normalization Tools (ANTs) extracts information from complex datasets that include imaging. ANTs development is led by Brian Avants and supported by other researchers and developers at PICSL and other institutions.

ANTs is open source. Code, binaries and documentation are available at the [ANTs website](#).



Mindboggle

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Welcome to Mindboggle!

We are developing Mindboggle to improve the accuracy, precision, and reliability of automated labeling and shape analysis of human brain image data, and to promote open science by making all data, software, and documentation freely and openly available.

We are gearing up for our first official release!

Software

Please see the [README](#) for Mindboggle's open source, freely available python software for automated labeling, feature extraction, and shape analysis of human brain image data.

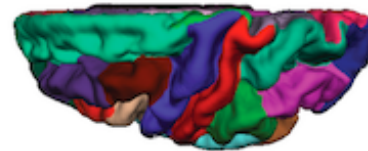
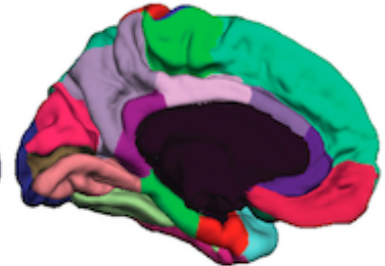
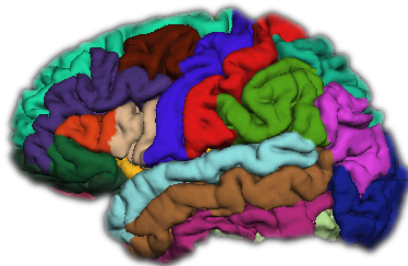
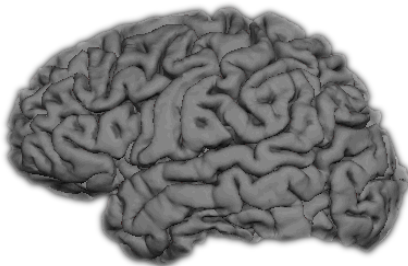
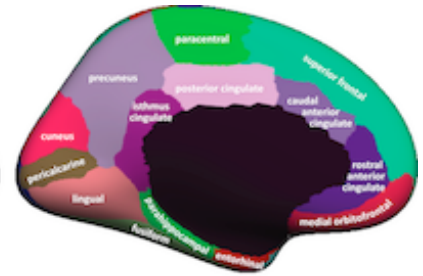
Data

Feel free to download [Mindboggle-101](#) atlases, templates, and individual labeled brain image data, the largest collection of publicly available, manually labeled human brains in the world!



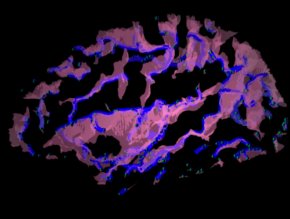
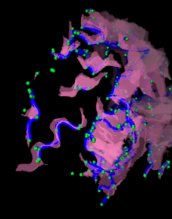
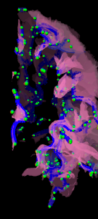
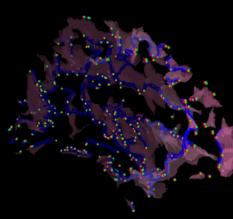
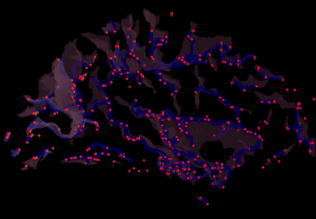
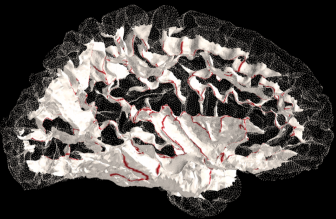
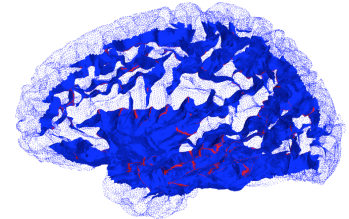
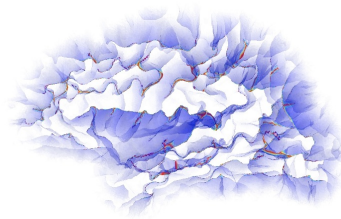
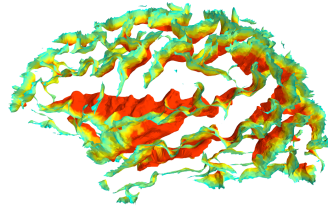
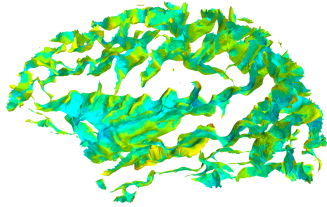
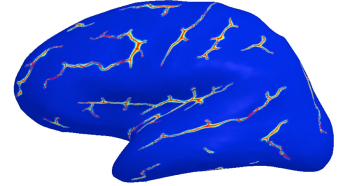
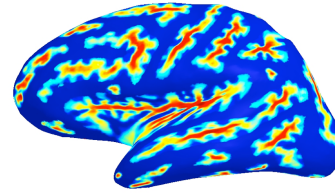
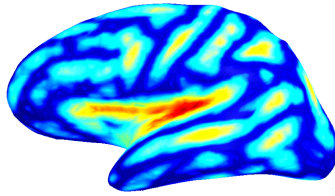
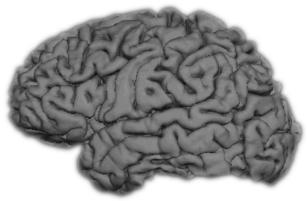


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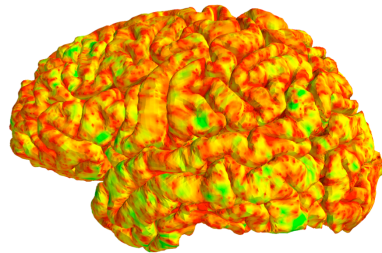
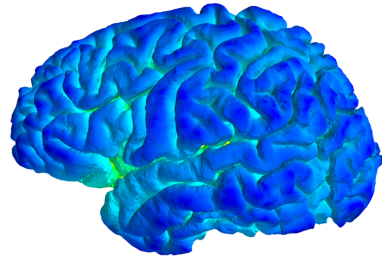


Mindboggle: features





Mindboggle: shapes



For each label or feature:

Mean curvature

Geodesic depth

Travel depth

Thickness

Surface area

Zernike moments

Laplace-Beltrami spectra

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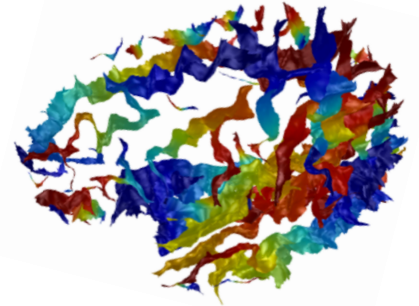


Table with the volume for every labeled brain region:

- *FreeSurferfilledlabels_volumes.csv*: volume per FreeSurfer label

Table with cortical thickness information:

- *FreeSurferfilledlabels_volumes_areas_thicknesses.csv*: thickness
FreeSurfer label

Tables with left or right cortical surface shape statistics:

- *label_shapes.csv*: per-label shape statistics
- *sulcus_shapes.csv*: per-sulcus shape statistics

Shape measures for every vertex in each cortical surface:

- *vertices.csv*: per-vertex cortical surface shape measure

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